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SUBJECT: Flu season is here; it's time to get your flu shot

Air Force Reserve Command officials announced the beginning of 2012-2013 Influenza Season Aug. 17. Over the next few months, military treatment facilities (MTFs) should receive supplies of influenza vaccine.

This is an annual requirement and all service members must receive the influenza immunization IAW DODI 6205.2 and AFJI 48-110. Your readiness report turned yellow (due) for influenza September 1, 2012. The report will remain yellow until you receive the flu shot or until January 1, 2013 at which time reports will turn red (overdue).

Getting your flu shot early is important as influenza activity usually peaks in the United States between December and March.

Please be cognizant of early recognition of influenza symptoms such as fever greater than 100.5F, coughing and sore throat. You can protect yourself by washing your hands frequently and coughing into your elbow or tissue. Basic disease preventatives can dramatically limit the transmission of disease and loss of workdays.

Documentation is the key to a successful influenza immunization campaign. Individual Reservists who receive the flu shot from non-military facilities (i.e. Walgreens, CVS, etc.) must provide vaccination records to the nearest military immunization clinic to update the military immunization tracking system IAW AFJI 48-110.

You can also fax or scan/email you records to RMG/Individual Readiness Medical Section (IRMS) at afrc.rmgsg@us.af.mil or fax (478) 327-2340 (DSN 497). This ensures your Immunization record is updated and it is reflected in your overall readiness.

To check your immunization record, visit myIMR <https://asims.afms.mil/webapp/>. To view your record, click on 'My Individual Medical Readiness Status' and select 'view DD2766C link' under Immunizations tab.

Help AFRC have a successful influenza immunization campaign!

Thank you for your continued professionalism!

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Quick links:

Your immunization records - <https://asims.afms.mil/webapp/>
Facebook - http://www.facebook.com/pages/HQ-Readiness-Management-Group/116193788423457?ref=tn_tnmn
Twitter - <https://twitter.com/#!/HQRMG>
Website - <http://www.afrc.af.mil/library/rmg/index.asp>